

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 2 and 16 as follows.

1. (Original) A recording apparatus for effecting recording on a recording material by recording means, said apparatus comprising:

a tray, mountable to said recording apparatus, for stacking a recording material;

a feeding roller for feeding said tray;

a portion to be detected, provided on said tray to permit detection of a position of said tray;

a tray position detecting portion for detecting the portion to be detected;

wherein a position of recording material stacked on said tray is detected by detecting the position of the portion to be detected.

2. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said portion to be detected ~~are~~ is provided at each of a plurality of positions of said tray.

3. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein said portions to be detected are arranged in a direction substantially perpendicular to a feeding direction of said tray.

4. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein said portions to be detected are arranged in the feeding direction of said tray.

5. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein said portions to be detected are arranged in a direction crossing with a feeding direction of said tray at a predetermined angle.

6. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said portion to be detected has a square or rectangular configuration having a side which is perpendicular to a feeding direction of said tray and a side which is parallel with the feeding direction.

7. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein said portions to be detected have configurations or sizes which are different from each other.

8. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said tray position detecting portion includes a light emission detecting means, and the portion to be detected has a reflecting surface for reflecting light emitted by said tray position detecting portion, wherein a peripheral portion of said reflecting surface is lower than the reflecting surface and is inclined at a predetermined angle with respect to the reflecting surface.

9. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said tray position detecting portion includes a light emission detecting means, and said portion to be detected includes a reflecting surface for reflecting light emitted by said tray position detecting portion, and the reflecting surface includes a mirror surface having a reflectance which is higher than a predetermined reflectance.

10. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein the position of said tray is detected using one of said portions to be detected.

11. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein the position of said tray and a state of feeding thereof are detected using two or more portions to be detected, and a recording position is recorded on the basis of a result of the detection.

12. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein a mounting reference for the recording material is disposed on a line connecting two of the portions to be detected.

13. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said recording material has a mounting or positioning hole substantially at a center portion thereof, and wherein said tray includes a mounting or positioning portion corresponding to the hole.

14. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said portion to be detected is disposed outside a region of the recording material with respect to a direction perpendicular to a feeding direction of said tray.

15. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising a pinch roller rotatable by said feeding roller, and said portion to be detected is disposed at a position not contacted by said pinch roller.

16. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to ~~Claim~~ Claim 1, further comprising a tray guide for guiding said tray when said tray is inserted into said recording apparatus.

17. (Original) A recording apparatus for effecting recording on a recording material by recording means, said apparatus comprising:

a tray, mountable to said recording apparatus, for stacking a recording material;

a feeding roller for feeding said tray;

a portion to be detected provided in said tray to permit detection of presence of the recording material on said tray;

a recording material detecting portion for detecting the portion to be detected.

18. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 17, wherein said portion to be detected is formed at a position of said tray where the recording material is stacked.

19. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 17, wherein said portion to be detected is provided at each of a plurality of positions of said tray.

20. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 19, wherein said portions to be detecting having configurations which are difference from each other.

21. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 17, wherein when said recording material detecting portion detects said portion to be detected, absence of the recording material on said tray is detected.